



BREMERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



Chief Strachan's Weekly Update

Like everyone else this past week, we have been busy in between dodging all the raindrops! Last Friday night at about 2:00 AM a family called 911 to report that their out-of-control adult daughter was trying to break into the house. Officer Jeffrey Schaefer had been working a recent criminal case and had probable cause to arrest the daughter for theft for previously stealing credit cards from the family members and using them. On this day, she also stole \$500 and a debit card from the family and went on another shopping spree. Officer Schaefer was close by when the call came out and arrived to observe the daughter breaking out a window and climbing over the glass to get inside the residence. The mother, sister and two brothers came out immediately as they were frightened of the daughter, who unsurprisingly was suspected of being on drugs. Officer Schaefer could not get the daughter to come out of the residence, and she kept yelling at officers that "the police told her she could break a window to get in." She locked all of the doors and closed the blinds. Further attempts to peacefully get her to come out were exhausted, and she kept telling officers to call the police. She ended up calling 911 herself, and requested the police to respond to...I guess, remove the police from outside? Officers forced the door open and she was taken into custody. She said she had been smoking "spice", purchased from one of our local convenience stores. She was jailed on several charges.

Sunday night, officers received a report of an assault with a knife on Magnuson Court. It turned out to be an incident of harassment between a boyfriend and a girlfriend. The girlfriend was mad that the boyfriend had removed some items from the residence. When she showed up, she started chasing him with what he thought was a knife. It turned out to be a Hello Kitty keychain.

On Tuesday, officers were dispatched to the Thompson Marina for a water rescue. As the officers were walking up on foot, they were told a woman was in the water near a boat at the very last pier. They found her in the (very cold) water being held up by a man who turned out to be her husband, next to a boat. The officers were able to assist the husband in pulling his wife out of the water and onto the dock. She had apparently been climbing off the boat using ladder-type steps when she slipped and fell into the water. She was very sore from the fall, but was fine after being treated by paramedics. Bremerton Fire (America's heroes) had not yet arrived before officers pulled the woman out, so we missed the opportunity to see their valor in action, which is always truly inspirational.

[Click here](#) for our "Unlucky 13" list, which is our new version of our old "High Five" list. We expanded the list because by the time we compiled and issued a "High Five" list, we sometimes had two or three already in custody. So the "Unlucky 13" can be used longer and we will update them every few weeks.

Finally, I received this e-mail last week from a Bremerton resident whose parked car was damaged by a hit and run driver.

Someone decided to play bumper cars down my street last week. One of our cars, along with a neighbor's, was damaged. I write today to let you know how pleased we were with the response that night by BPD, particularly Officer Duke Roessel, who came out to the scene. We found him professional, kind, and helpful. Although we realize that we may never get resolution, or restitution, on this matter, we were encouraged and satisfied with the way it was handled.

Take care, and keep up the good work!

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